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Kicking off debate

INFRASTRUCTURE

Hospital, public transit should trump new CFL stadium: Outhit



Debate around building a stadium in Shannon Park is again set to get a lot of play at Halifax regional council this week.

And so far, at least one city councillor isn't won over by the idea. Coun. Tim Outhit said Sunday that building a stadium falls behind other more pressing infrastructure improvements for the municipality.

"At some point we need a community(-sized) stadium," he said. "But I believe the priority right now for the three levels of government should be hospital and public transportation."

In a new report headed to

Tuesday's council meeting, municipal staff recommend further study is first needed to determine the "financial case, business model and feasibility" of building such a facility.

"Shannon Park does in fact present this opportunity; however, this window is closing quickly," the report reads.

Transforming the Shannon Park lands has been a long-discussed issue within the city and reignited again after Canada Lands Company, a crown corporation, purchased the site in 2014 for redevelopment.

Staff warned that the more time it takes for HRM to decide on a stadium, "the less flexibility" there will be in designs for the renovated site. The report also asks for the scope of the stadium dream be expanded from a so-called community-sized venue of 10,000-14,000 seats to 20,000. That brings the project into the realm of the CFL, Outhit says, estimating between a \$100-million and \$200-million price tag.



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SPORTS SCORING BIG WITH HERD FANS Halifax Mooseheads goaltenders Kevin Resop, left, and Eric Brassard, right, help Jonah Carew, aged six, fire on an inflated photo of former Herd netminder Eric Fucale during the team's first ever Fan Fest at the World Trade and Convention Centre on Sunday afternoon. More Mooseheads coverage in **metroSPORTS**. JEFF HARPER/METRO

YARMOUTH

Teenager killed as vehicle overturned into pond

If you knew 17-year-old Yarmouth teenager Jadon Robinson, you knew a young man who was as generous with his smile as he was with his friendship.

On one hand he was a 300-plus-pound football player who could throw you a distance in a tackle. On the other hand he had the softest heart and most genuine personality a person could have.

Many describe him as a kind-hearted soul.

And so there are very heavy hearts in Yarmouth, and elsewhere, following the death of the well-liked and much-adored teenager, who died as a result of a motor vehicle accident that occurred late Saturday morning in Yarmouth County.

The vehicle, occupied by three teenagers, lost control on a sharp curve in Overton and landed upside-down in a pond.

Even before the first responders arrived, people on shore, including young



Jadon Robinson FACEBOOK

people like Jadon, went into the water to get to the three teens.

While two of the teenagers escaped the incident with minor injuries, Jadon wasn't as fortunate. He was airlifted to hospital in Halifax with life-threatening injuries. He

later died in hospital.

Although he attended Acadia Consolidated School as an elementary school student, Maple Grove Education Centre in junior high and Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School, Jadon also attended Sir John A. MacDonald high school in Tantallon, where he played high school football.

The sports community has also been impacted by the teenager's death.

"It is with a very heavy heart that the football community in Nova Scotia loses a warrior and brother in arms," reads a post on the Dalhousie Tigers Recruiting Facebook page.

"Jadon Robinson was an absolute force on the field and brightened anyone's day with love and jokes. To his family, friends and teammates at Sir John A., the Tigers family wishes you all of our support. He will be greatly missed. Love you big J — Coach Haggitt." TC MEDIA

Tax report irks business group

ECONOMY

Association 'disappointed' by options for taxation relief



Stephanie Taylor
Metro | Halifax

The head of one business association in Halifax says she's disappointed with the results of a long-awaited report on commercial tax options for small businesses.

Karla Nicholson of the Quinpool Road Mainstreet District Association said the main recommendations passed along to the city by them and the North End Business Association were to create a small business tax break to stop businesses from paying a "disproportionate share

of commercial property taxes."

That could be achieved by introducing a special tax rate, she says, and better define what constitutes as a small business.

The groups were also looking to create a differentiated tax rate to support those businesses located in the downtown core.

Such would be a major change from the current system that bases commercial tax rates solely on property assessments.

However, neither of their asks were green-lighted in a new staff report headed to the city's committee of the whole meeting on Tuesday.

Rather, municipal staff recommended that HRM request the province make legislative changes to have the assessment of a commercial property averaged over three years, or introduce a new three-to-four year assessment cycle, instead of having it updated annually.

"Specific changes to the tim-

+ STATUS QUO

Karla Nicholson warned that keeping with the status quo "will be the demise of these areas that are supposed to flourish with small business."

ing of the assessment cycle have the potential to improve the current system," the report reads, noting that doing so would improve on the unpredictability cited by business owners.

Nicholson believes otherwise, and explained the unpredictability of assessment values are not the crux of the problem.

"It's just the actual predictability of the crazy, rising assessments of areas, in particular places in the city that are poised for development," such as Quinpool Road and the north end, she said.

SHEET HARBOUR

House fire outside Halifax kills senior

A man in his late 80s has died following a house fire outside of Halifax.

The Halifax Fire Department says crews were called to a home in Sheet Harbour, roughly 120 kilometres east of Halifax, around 11:30 a.m. Upon arrival, firefighters tried to rescue the man, who was trapped in the bathroom, but he suc-

+ DETAILS

The cause of the fire is not yet known.

cumbed to his injuries. The man's wife was the only other person in the home, but she was not injured.

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CRIME

Police to determine if robberies related

Halifax Regional Police are investigating two robberies in north-end Halifax which may be connected.

According to a release, police responded to the first robbery around 1:55 a.m. Saturday. When they arrived to the Maynard and Cunard street area, police learned a 34-year-old man was assaulted and his wallet had been stolen by a group of six. The suspects had already fled. Police say the victim was transported to

hospital by paramedics with non-life threatening injuries.

At about 30 minutes later, officers were called to the 2000 block of Gottingen Street for a report of a second robbery.

Police say the 58-year-old male victim had been in the area of Cogswell and North Park street at about 2 a.m. when he was assaulted and had his wallet stolen.

No suspect description was given. The victim wasn't hurt.

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DARTMOUTH

Four arrested in relation to shooting

Police arrested four people during a traffic stop Friday evening in Dartmouth, and were investigating their potential involvement in a shooting incident late into the night.

Halifax Regional Police received a weapons complaint call at about 8:30 p.m., indicating that a window at a residence on the 0-100 block of Cranberry Crescent was believed to have been damaged by gun shots.

+ NEXT STEPS

Police say the investigation is ongoing.

Nobody was hurt as a result of the shooting, a police news release said. In an update Saturday morning, police say the four people arrested were released without charges. METRO

New program to help refugees get around

CYCLING

ISANS secures partnerships to collect bikes for newcomers



Rebecca Dingwell
For Metro | Halifax

Racks outside Cyclesmith on Agricola Street were jam-packed with second-hand bikes over the weekend.

Immigrant Services Association of Nova Scotia (ISANS) partnered with the north-end shop, along with the Halifax Cycling Coalition and the Ecology Action Centre, to organize the Bikes for Refugees program.

"Bicycles are an easy way (for refugees) to get around, get acquainted to the city and get settled," said Stephane Moulin, who works at Cyclesmith, of the Saturday morning event.

"If they have limited access to money, they can at least get around the city."

By 11 a.m., dozens of people had already dropped off bicycles they no longer needed.

David McNeil was one of those donors.

"I got myself a new bike, so I figured I'd love to see this thing get used," said McNeil. "It served me well for 20 years."

McNeil said the bike still rides fine, but he simply doesn't have room for it anymore. He hopes its new owner will enjoy it.

"Better than going to a landfill," he said.

After the bicycles are distributed, the Ecology Action



Cyclesmith staff member Stephane Moulin stands among dozens of bicycles donated to Bikes for Refugees on Saturday. REBECCA DINGWELL/FOR METRO

Centre will lead a free Making Tracks course so refugees can learn how to ride their bikes safely around Halifax.

"Our goals are just to take down the barriers to active transportation," said Adam Berry, the Making Tracks project officer.

"Even a bus pass is a big expense for somebody who's new to the country and getting onto their feet."

Over the winter, Berry explained, any bicycles needing repairs will be fixed up.



To see that people are this supportive of immigrants and refugees — I'm not surprised, but it's amazing.

Adam Berry

The hope is the bikes will reach their new families in the spring, when Halifax weather

is more appropriate for cycling.

"They're gonna get bikes and learn (to ride them) on the same day," he said.

Before the morning was out, Berry estimated over 30 bicycles they'd received would need very little repair. In addition, they received more than 60 other bikes, which Berry said will need additional repairs.

"The support we're getting from Haligonians right now ... I'm speechless," he said.

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New theatre project 'a true community collaboration'

VIOLA DESMOND

Outdoor screen pays tribute to 1946 protest



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Gertrude Jefferies remembers she was in Grade 2 when she was sent home with a note from school.

On that piece a paper, it read that Viola Desmond and husband, Jack, had opened a new barber shop and hair salon on Gottingen Street in Halifax.

Desmond was announcing she was starting a club for the neighbourhood girls, where it would cost \$1 for a wash and curl, then 25 cents for a touch-up every week after.

"It was a blessing growing up to have Viola in our lives," Jefferies told a crowd gathered Sunday.



Community members laugh during the launch of The Viola Desmond Outdoor Theatre at Murray Warrington Park on Sunday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

"She was a lovely woman, always full of smiles. I can remember there was always lots of laughter in the salon."

It was an intimate picture of Desmond, the African Nova Scotia woman remembered

in history for standing up to the segregation she faced after purchasing a movie ticket at a theatre in New Glasgow back in 1946.

And exactly 71 years to the date of Desmond's historic protest not to move from an area reserved for whites only, around 50 people huddled under blankets and bundled in winter coats Sunday evening, seated in rows before the unveiling of the Viola Desmond Outdoor Theatre in Warrington Park.

The project was envisioned by Empowered Women Blossom, a new branch of Hope Blooms, and comprised of older women from the north end community.

"It was a true community collaboration," Hope Blooms founder Jessie Jollymore said of the new theatre.

Jollymore said the idea came to life after numerous community suppers and meetings, which resulted in a final vote to see a new theatre installed and named after none other than



Viola Desmond CONTRIBUTED

Desmond.

The plan for the screen, located on the side of the recently opened Hope Blooms greenhouse, is to screen a film or documentary every week for next spring and summer, Jollymore said.

Support for the project came from Nova Scotia Communities, Culture and Heritage.

+ SCREENING

Moment of silence

Despite the nearly below-zero temperatures Sunday evening, the crowd watched a screening of, Long Road to Justice — The Viola Desmond Story, preceded by a moment of silence in her honour.



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CRUISES

Nova Star owes Portland \$150,000

Portland officials claim Nova Star Cruises owes the city more than \$150,000 for a loan extended last year that they say hasn't been repaid.

The Portland Press Herald reports the city joins more than a half-dozen creditors who claim the ferry service owes them \$1.6 million collectively.

Portland Development Corp. attorney Charles Rimmel says the money was used for modifications to the Nova Star — a ferry that operated for two years between Portland, Me., and Nova Scotia.

Rimmel says Nova Star Cruises also owes more than \$85,000 for use of city facilities.

U.S. Marshals seized the ferry Oct. 30 because of the cruise line's outstanding debts.

Rimmel says formal liens will be filed next week.

A Nova Star Cruises spokesman says the company intends to pay its bills.

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Today, as one of those girls who trotted up there every week to get her hair done, I just want to say thank you, Viola Desmond.

Gertrude Jefferies

POLITICS

Cabinet minister surprised by firing

A former Nova Scotia cabinet minister says he unintentionally misstated when he was made aware of a parliamentary privilege that he contends prevented him from appearing in court for the trial of a woman accused of assaulting him.

Andrew Younger's failure to appear led a provincial court judge in Halifax to drop the charge in the case last week.

Premier Stephen McNeil announced Thursday night that Younger was relieved of his cabinet duties and was also kicked out of the Liberal caucus because he did not provide accurate information on when he knew about the parliamentary privilege that affected the trial.

Younger expressed his shock at the decision in a statement issued on Friday.

"Given that I have followed the direction of the premier's office throughout on this mat-

+ STATEMENT

Premier's office

Andrew Younger says the statement he read at Thursday's news conference was written by the premier's office.

ter, I am disappointed and surprised by the premier's decision," he says.

Younger told a news conference on Thursday that his lawyer informed him on Monday of the parliamentary privilege that allows members of the legislature to decline appearing in court when the house is in session. Younger says he was, in fact, informed of the privilege three days earlier on Oct. 30 and was ready to correct his misstatement with the media.

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PRIVATIZATION

Exhibition Park sold for \$2.5 million



Haley Ryan
Metro | Halifax

Exhibition Park will live on under private ownership, the province has announced.

The province has an agreement in principle with Banc Properties for ownership of the 112 acres of land and Exhibition Park building, according to a government release on Friday.

"This is a good business opportunity — we're moving out of the way to let the private sector take the lead," Geoff MacLellan, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, said in a statement.

The future of the park has been a topic of concern for exhibition participants since July, when the province announced the arena, home to such events as the Maritime Fall Fair and various commercial showcases,



Exhibition Park. JEFF HARPER/METRO

would be shut down permanently in mid-November due to safety concerns.

Jim Gourlay, executive director of the Exposition Managers Society of Nova Scotia, said in the release they had been involved in the plan "virtually every step of the way."

"The needs and wishes of the

industry were clearly understood by government and were incorporated into the criteria for the eventual sale of the facility," he said.

In another release from the Exposition Managers Society, Gourlay said the government's July announcement of the building's closure may have

been the best turn of events for the industry.

"The building needs to be renovated and upgraded: that will happen. The parking lot needs to be repaved: That will happen. The facility needs to be aggressively marketed to rebuild and grow the events industry: we are optimistic that will happen as well," Gourlay said.

While some parts of the deal need to be finalized, the release said the negotiated price is \$2.5 million, with the understanding Banc Properties will assume costs of any renovations.

The province estimates those repair costs to be \$3 million.

+ EVENTS

Bookings in future

All future event bookings will now be handled through the new owner.

Holiday expo draws crowd

CHRISTMAS AT THE FORUM

Crafts, baked goods were big favourites at annual market



Rebecca Dingwell
For Metro | Halifax

Although Christmas is more than a month away, a large inflatable Santa Claus was spotted from Almon Street on the weekend.

The annual Christmas at the Forum market left the parking lot packed. Lines were long, but moved quickly as shoppers waited to get inside.

"We love Christmas so, so much," said Allison Wilson, who was attending the market with her sister Emily on Saturday.

For Allison, it was her first time at Christmas at the Forum. Emily goes every year. The pair usually attends the

Christmas Craft Village at Exhibition Park, but with that building now closed, the Forum was the ideal holiday market destination.

"The local goods are what we really like, for sure," said Emily. Allison added: "I love baked goods and anything that's homemade."

Emily also expressed her surprise at the number of people in line.

"I've never seen it this busy," she said.

For Becky Corlett, Christmas at the Forum was how she chose to spend a day off with her friend.

"It's just something to do on a Saturday," she said. "(I've) never been here before."

The Christmas market has been taking place every year for almost 40 years. Crafts, food and antiques are among the things shoppers could find there.

Christmas at the Forum took place on Friday, and continued all day Saturday and Sunday.

I usually like getting decorations. Just something for the tree.

Emily Wilson



The East Coast Carolling Co. entertains shoppers as they waited in line for Christmas at the Forum on Saturday. REBECCA DINGWELL/FOR METRO

REFUGEES

Conference centre ready to house 400 people

The Annapolis Basin Conference Centre says it has room for 400 people if the federal government needs housing for refugees.

Beth Earle, the chief executive officer of ABCC, has informed the government that they have both the facilities and a willingness to work with the government if needed.

"We're accustomed to providing accommodations and meals for 900 people during the summer as the site of the HMCS Acadia Sea Cadet Training Centre," wrote Earle. "The facilities, on the site of the former CFB Cornwallis, are ready to accept hundreds of refugees with a few days' notice."

Earle says the rooms could be ready tomorrow but the food might take a few days to procure. Newly-elected Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has committed to accepting 25,000 refugees from Syria and Iraq before the end of this year. TC MEDIA

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Accused, Mountie return to scene of death in video

REITA JORDAN

Paul Calnen on trial for second-degree murder



Zane Woodford
Metro | Halifax

The jury for Paul Calnen's murder trial saw him reenact on Friday his version of the events that led to the death of his girlfriend, Reita Jordan.

Calnen, 52, is accused of second-degree murder in the 2013 killing of Jordan, 34. Calnen pleaded guilty to a second charge of indecently interfering with human remains — in this case, burning them. Jordan's body was never found.

Friday morning, the Crown continued a video it had paused when Nova Scotia Supreme Court adjourned Thursday afternoon.

In that video, Calnen gave a statement to RCMP officer Cpl. Jason Hurley.

In the first hour of the video, shown to the jury on Thursday, Calnen broke down and told Hurley, along with Jordan's mother, Donna, what he'd done with her body.

Donna Jordan hugged Calnen multiple times and told him she forgave him.

When the video resumed Friday, Donna Jordan left the interview room.



Paul Calnen outside court last week during a break from his murder trial. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Calnen and Hurley remained, and Hurley asked Calnen to break down for him when and how it all happened. He told a clearer version of the events of March 18, 2013 — the day Jordan died.

He told Hurley they'd had an argument, and Jordan had fallen down the stairs and died.

He said he tried unsuccessfully to resuscitate her but ended up dragging her up the stairs and into his truck.

In a second video shown to the jury Friday, Calnen reen-

acts these events at his Hammonds Plains home later that same day, June 18, 2013.

He walks in the front door of his house and shows police where he saw Jordan's bags packed.

He and Hurley go downstairs, and he shows them Jordan's room, where he said they started arguing the evening of March 18.

That argument moved upstairs. He said Jordan threw a Pepsi bottle at his head and then he moved to the front door.

He said Jordan then moved to the top of the stairs that lead to Calnen's basement, next to the three bags she'd packed, planning to leave him.

Calnen showed Hurley how he'd tried to move past Jordan, stepping over her bags. He said that at that time, she threw a punch and he ducked.

That momentum, he said, sent her down the stairs.

Calnen told Hurley he wasn't sure exactly how Jordan had fallen because he was ducking her punch at the time, but when he got to the bot-

+ WHAT'S NEXT

Back in court Monday

The trial will reconvene Monday for the second week of the five set aside for the trial. The Crown is expected to begin calling forensic identification officers. METRO

tom of the stairs, she was unresponsive.

He showed Hurley how he'd dragged her up the stairs with his arms around hers, and his hands linked behind her head. Then he told Hurley he put a blanket in the backseat of his truck and put Jordan's body on top of it. He then disposed of her body.

Later in the afternoon, the Crown called a tow-truck driver to the stand. He'd gone to Upper Musquodoboit the morning Calnen burned Jordan's body to help him get his truck out of the mud.

The only revelation from that testimony was the fact that Calnen had a shovel in the back of his truck.

Next, the Crown called Donna Jordan to the stand. She testified briefly about her daughter: her life up to her disappearance, her drug problem and her relationship with Calnen.

She told the court that when she first met Calnen, she thought he'd be a good influence on her daughter.

SUICIDE

Report absolves police

An independent review of the police involvement in the death of a 19-year-old man linked to an alleged mass-murder plot in Halifax says officers acted reasonably when they spoke to him by cellphone outside his home.

Nova Scotia's Serious Incident Response Team released the finding Friday into the incident on Tiger Maple Drive in Timberlea on Feb. 12.

The police watchdog does not name the man and refers to him in the report as AP, an abbreviation for Affected Person. But information sworn in court by Halifax police alleges the offences in the case were carried out in concert with James Lee Gamble, who was found dead by police.

The four-page report published online says the body was found in an upstairs bedroom of the home more than four hours after a police officer had talked with the man by phone and after police had heard a gunshot.

It says the man died instantly as a result of a gunshot to his head.

"That call went exactly as planned, with AP co-operating until he made the decision to end his own life," the report concludes. "Nothing the police did encouraged or assisted AP in that decision."

Police went to the home after receiving information that a man and woman were planning a shooting at a Halifax mall.

John Lee Gamble, the man's father, declined comment about the report Friday.

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Following the death of a 56-year-old man at Quest Regional Rehabilitation Centre in Lower Sackville, the board is discussing the possibility of implementing improved video surveillance systems and electronic access controls. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Facility pegged with 'security deficiencies'

REVIEW

Special care home planning upgrades after internal audit

A consultant's review into the operations of a Lower Sackville special care home where a 56-year-old man died after being pushed by another resident says the facility has identified security problems and is planning upgrades.

The 14-page report released by the Department of Community Services says that Gordon Longphee died from injuries suffered after he was pushed into a wall by a 28-year-old resident at Quest Regional Rehabilitation Centre in May 2014.

The report written by Mary

Jane Hampton of Stylus Consulting Inc. says Longphee was "caught in the path of a pacing and flailing client, who was seeking a clear path for his behaviours."

After a police investigation, no charges were laid.

The report says the Quest board received a separate security analysis by Paladin Securities, which hasn't been publicly posted, that identified "security deficiencies."

According to Hampton's report, the security analysis says the board is discussing the costs of changing security measures, including an improved alarm system, electronic access control and video surveillance systems.

Joe Rudderham, director of the disability support program with the province, said in an interview that he expects the upgrades will be funded and the

+ MORE TRAINING, HOMES NEEDED

The report also says staff at the regional rehabilitation centre are dedicated, but they need more training.

Hampton notes that the mixture of residents at Quest is often challenging, with some seeing the facility as a temporary residence as they await a place in a smaller option home

and others who view Quest as their permanent home.

She recommends Community Services consider setting up a separate home for residents who don't have the goal of moving into smaller residences and calls on the department to invest in more small, community-based homes.

request is going through normal procurement steps.

Phyllis Williams, the executive director of the Quest Society, says the security analysis wasn't solely focused on Longphee's death and had looked at wider security issues at the facility.

She said making the recommended changes are part of

a wider set of improvements for the non-profit facility that cares for people with a variety of intellectual and physical disabilities, as well as mental health diagnoses.

The security upgrades can't guarantee that tragedies won't happen, Williams said, but they will help. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CRIME

Three men charged after police seize guns, drugs, body armour

Three men are facing drug charges after two separate incidents last week turned up cocaine and body armour.

On Wednesday around 7:10 p.m. officers made a traffic stop on Albro Lake Road.

A search of the car allegedly found cocaine and cash and two men were arrested.

Police later used a search warrant at a residence in the

0-100 block of Brenton Street around 7:45 p.m. Quantities of cocaine and cash were seized there, as well as drug paraphernalia, a loaded long gun and body armour.

Nicholas Roland Rhyno, 28, was charged with a number of weapons and drug charges.

Brad Connolly Welton, 22, was charged with possession for the purpose of trafficking in co-

caine and breach of probation.

In a second incident, Halifax police officers attended a business on Thursday around 10:50 p.m. in the 1500 block of the Bedford Highway, near Sunnyside Mall.

Austin Pasquale Awald, 20, was arrested and now faces charges of trafficking in cocaine, and possession for the purpose of trafficking. METRO

IN BRIEF

Suspicious man in minivan offers 11-year-old girl ride

Police are looking for a suspicious person they say offered a ride to an 11-year-old girl in Halifax. Police said a man driving a minivan pulled up beside the young girl who was walking to school on St. Paul's Avenue in Herring Cove. Police said the girl ran to safety when the man rolled down his window and said her mother wanted him to drive her to school. METRO



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Minister of Environment and Climate Change Catherine McKenna is in Paris to help lay the groundwork for this month's important conference, which will aim to reach a binding agreement on reducing greenhouse gases. JUSTIN TANG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada preparing for climate change summit

PARIS

Environment minister in talks before Nov. 30 event

Canada's new environment minister is in Paris taking part in talks with counterparts from a host of countries to lay the groundwork for this month's global climate change summit.

Catherine McKenna and her fellow ministers are spending

the next three days looking for common ground on key issues in advance of the summit that begins Nov. 30.

She'll also have a number of one-on-one meetings, including with French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius.

"Canada agrees the science is indisputable, and we recognize the need for urgent/greater action that is grounded in robust science," McKenna posted to Twitter on Sunday.

"Our main goal is to make sure that all human beings can fulfil a healthy, safe, sus-



Our main goal is to make sure that all human beings can fulfil a healthy, safe, sustainable life.

Environment Minister
Catherine McKenna

tainable life."

Some 80 leaders will be gathering in the French capital to try to reach a binding agreement on reducing

greenhouse gases.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau is expected to be joined there by most of the premiers and at least some of the Opposition party leaders.

The Liberals did not set a target for emissions reductions in their election platform, saying only they would set them informed by economic and scientific analysis.

Trudeau has also committed to calling a First Ministers meeting within 90 days of the conference to set a framework for combatting climate change. THE CANADIAN PRESS

AUCTION

When bargains and bureaucracy collide

An airplane formerly belonging to ORNGE, Ontario's air ambulance system, and thousands of decommissioned law enforcement vehicles were among the items sold by Canada's Crown asset surplus site over the past year, an analysis of auction sales data shows.

According to the GCSurplus website, roughly 20,000 items were sold between August 2014 and August 2015.

The highest ticket item sold in that period was a 2010 Pilatus PC-12 aircraft that went for \$3.12 million in July. The plane, which featured a custom medevac interior, was originally purchased along with nine other aircraft in 2008 at a cost of \$4.56 million US per aircraft.

The PC-12 was purchased by Kudlik Aviation, a Quebec City-based company whose corporate affiliate, Kudlik Construction, has numerous building contracts in Nunavut. Jean Labrecque, the director of flight operations for Kudlik Aviation, says the plane was first stripped of its medevac interior in order to accommodate more passengers.

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Police cars a hot item on government auction site

Over the past year, GCSurplus has offloaded roughly 4,200 cars and light trucks in working condition — about a third of which were ex-law enforcement vehicles.

Their prevalence is likely due in part to law enforcement agencies updating their existing fleets. However, law enforcement's loss could be your gain, provided you're willing to put up with a few dents and less than luxurious interiors. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Service investigation revealed serious problems at ORNGE — financial and safety related — the agency has been steadily divesting itself of unnecessary vehicles purchased under the governance of ex-CEO Chris Mazza, whose tenure is being looked at in an ongoing RCMP investigation. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



Marko Lipovsek purchased his 2008 Ford Crown Victoria from an outdoor auction in the Hamilton area two years ago.

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GERMANY

Surprise proposal ignites squabbles

Senior members of German Chancellor Angela Merkel's coalition sent conflicting signals on Sunday over a shelved initiative by the interior minister to give many Syrians restricted asylum, setting off a new round of government squabbling.

Interior Minister Thomas de Maiziere appeared to surprise the coalition when he said Friday that many Syrians should get "subsidiary protection," which comes with only a one-year renewable residence permit and wouldn't allow them to bring relatives to Germany for two years. Amid criticism, he shelved the idea hours later.

Merkel's chief of staff, Peter Altmaier, made clear he wasn't informed that the initiative had been launched.

It remains unclear why the

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Discussion 'settled'

The minister's announcement came only a day after Merkel's coalition ended a damaging, weeks-long argument over how to speed up processing of migrants with poor asylum prospects.

Altmaier called it "a discussion the day before yesterday ... that is now settled."

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conservative de Maiziere's ministry made an apparent solo decision which angered members of Vice Chancellor Sigmar Gabriel's centre-left Social Democrats.

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NIELSEN

Trump's SNL episode draws decent ratings

Donald Trump wasn't far into his opening Saturday Night Live monologue before an heckler interrupted with "You're a racist!"

But the "heckler" was comedian Larry David, who before Trump arrived onstage had been seen impersonating Democratic presidential hopeful Bernie Sanders.

"Larry, what are you doing?" Trump asked.

"I heard if I yelled that, they'd give me \$5,000," said David with a shrug, echoing an offer made publicly by Deport Racism, a

group protesting Trump's appearance. The group said David would receive the \$5,000 bounty, regardless of whether or not his comments were a joke.

Only hours after the broadcast, Trump was back on television, saying his performance was "very well received and probably got very good ratings, who knows."

Very good, but not spectacular. Preliminary Nielsen ratings measuring households in 56 U.S. markets gave Saturday's "SNL" its highest rating only since January 2012. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



People rally against Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump outside NBC studios Saturday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Two derailments in as many days in Wisconsin

A Canadian Pacific Railway train carrying crude oil derailed Sunday in Wisconsin.

The eastbound CP train derailed at about 2 p.m. in Watertown in the southeastern part of the state. The railroad said at least 10 cars derailed, and some were leaking. No fires or injuries were reported.

CP was sending teams to the site, and said it takes the incident extremely seriously.

On Saturday, a freight train derailed near Alma in western Wisconsin, spilling thousands of gallons of ethanol.

BNSF Railway said crews continued Sunday to transfer ethanol from the derailed cars and putting them back on the tracks.

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MYANMAR WAITS FOR ELECTION RESULTS

Supporters of Myanmar opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi's party cheer as they watch polling station counts on a giant screen outside the party headquarters in Yangon on Sunday. **For the latest on the election, visit metronews.ca.**

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Authorities dismiss security concerns

EGYPT

Tourist exodus ongoing as first Russian inspectors sent

International passengers departing Egypt's Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh continued lining up for flights Sunday as the first of three Russian inspection teams was dispatched there to examine airport security after the Oct. 31 airline disaster.

The Russian flight's crash in the Sinai Peninsula that killed all 224 people on board continues to generate fallout, after the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) claimed responsibility for its downing and U.S. and British officials say intelligence shows it was likely brought down by a bomb on board. Britain and several airlines have stopped normally scheduled flights to the resort, while Russia has suspended all flights to Egypt.

British Foreign Secretary Philip Hammond told the BBC on Sunday if the bomb is confirmed,

it will require a potential rethink of airport security in areas where the extremist group is active.

Russian Deputy Prime Minister Arkady Dvorkovich did not give details on what specific security issues the inspections teams would be examining, but said 11,000 Russians were flown home from Egypt on Saturday and an even larger number were expected to leave Sunday, according to Russian news agencies.

Security officials at the Sharm el-Sheikh airport have told The Associated Press that the facility has long had gaps in security.

11,000

The number of Russians flown home from Egypt on Saturday. More were returning home Sunday.

A spokesman for Egypt's Aviation Ministry, Mohamed Rahma, dismissed the concerns, saying "Sharm el-Sheikh is one of the safest airports in the world," without elaborating.

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EUROPE

Romanians protest for accountability

A nightclub fire in Bucharest that killed at least 45 people became the tipping point for many Romanians who have long been frustrated with corruption among leaders. But as the government resigned amid street protests this week, many remained skeptical that the leaderless street movement will succeed.

The protests continued even after Prime Minister Victor Ponta resigned on Wednesday, underlining deep social dissatisfaction with an often corrupt political order that has ruled the country since the transition from com-

munist dictatorship to democracy a quarter century ago.

Political analyst Cristian Parvulescu said the nightclub fire proved to be "the last straw" because of a widespread feeling "that any of us could have been there."

"People feel the need for change, for new faces. We have had the same faces for 25 years and this has led to this revolt as

there is a real lack of competition," said Parvulescu, who is the dean of the National School of



People feel the need for change, for new faces.

Christian Parvulescu, Romanian political analyst

Political Studies and Public Administration in Bucharest.

Hard-charging anti-corruption prosecutors led by Laura Codruta Kovesi have stepped up an anti-corruption

drive in the past couple of years, securing a record 1,051 convictions in 2014, up from

743 the year before. More are expected this year. Among those convicted since January 2014 are a former prime minister, seven former ministers, a former deputy prime minister, four lawmakers, one European Parliament lawmaker, 39 mayors, 25 magistrates and two business tycoons.

All the major parties in Romania's Parliament have been touched by the corruption probes and convictions, leading to a belief that politicians enter politics to enrich themselves.

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Filipinos in Manila mark the second anniversary of Typhoon Haiyan, known locally as Yolanda, on Saturday. That typhoon lashed Tacloban city and nearby provinces in central Philippines on Nov. 8, 2013, leaving thousands dead and a wide swath of destruction. BULLIT MARQUEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Typhoon remembered

PHILIPPINES

Two years on, villagers still finding bodies

Villagers who perished when Typhoon Haiyan devastated the central Philippines two years ago continue to be dug up, including the skeletal remains of six people found over the weekend, an official said Sunday.

Regarded as the most powerful storm on record to hit land, Haiyan levelled entire villages and swept walls of seawater along with ships surging inland

in Tacloban city and other outlying towns on Nov. 8, 2013, leaving 7,361 people dead or missing, based on the latest government count last year.

More than a million houses were damaged or blasted away by the storm's force, displacing about 4 million people.

Most of the skeletons, including that of a child, were found by residents on Saturday in Tacloban's coastal village of San Jose, where storm surges swept away houses and people, the city's chief health officer Joedina Gumagay said.

Along with police forensic investigators and other officials,

Gumagay said she examined the skeletons — found with pieces of clothing, sandals and other belongings — and concluded they were among the thousands killed in the storm.

Villagers in another Tacloban community dug up another victim, an unidentified woman, about two months ago, she said.

A Catholic priest blessed the skeletons found in San Jose. After being photographed and

tagged, the remains were to be buried in a mass grave for typhoon victims on Sunday, coinciding with the second anniversary of Haiyan's deadly onslaught, she said.

"We feel relieved that at least they can now have a decent burial," Gumagay said.

Thousands of typhoon survivors, many teary-eyed, heard Masses in Catholic churches before joining a march to a sea-

side sports stadium that served as an evacuation centre after the storm struck. Residents in Tacloban and three nearby towns lit candles along roads Sunday to remember the dead.

President Benigno Aquino III thanked governments that provided aid and deployed forces, planes and ships to help the Philippines deal with the disaster.

The devastated communities have been rebuilt, Aquino said. "This would not have been possible without the world's embrace of our people and our people's own heroic generosity and sacrifice."

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Joedina Gumagay, chief health officer

IN BRIEF

Nine die in attack at bar in Bujumbura, Burundi

At least nine people were killed in an attack at a bar in the latest violence in Burundi's capital, witnesses said Sunday, as security forces went door-to-door to disarm civilians.

International concern is growing over security in the central African nation, hit by unrest following the president's decision to extend his time in power.

A deadline to turn in illegal weapons or face extraordinary police action expired midnight Saturday.

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Suicide bombers kill three, injure 14 in Chad

Two suicide bombings in Bouboua village near Lake Chad have killed at least three people and injured 14, Chad officials said Sunday.

No one has claimed responsibility for the attack, but it is similar to others in the area by Nigeria's Islamic extremist group Boko Haram.

Boko Haram's six-year-old uprising has left an estimated 20,000 people dead, according to Amnesty International.

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Hope fades for missing following failure of dams

The 28 people missing since the failure of two dams at an iron ore mine flooded a village in south-eastern Brazil are unlikely to be found alive, the governor of the affected state said Sunday.

Minas Gerais Gov. Fernando Pimentel said it was still not known what triggered Thursday's failure of dams at the Samarco mine. The company has insisted the mud is not toxic and does not pose a threat to human health.

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Poor will bear brunt of climate change impact: Report

Climate change could push more than 100 million people into extreme poverty by 2030 by disrupting agriculture and fueling the spread of malaria and other diseases, the World Bank said in a report Sunday.

Released just weeks ahead of a UN climate summit in Paris, the report highlighted how the impact of global warming is borne unevenly, with the world's poor woefully unprepared to deal with climate shocks such as rising seas or severe droughts.

"They have fewer resources and receive less support from family, community, the financial system, and even social safety nets to prevent, cope and adapt," the Washington-based World Bank said.

How to help poor countries — and poor communities within countries — deal with climate change is one of



Chinese workers at a building site in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia are the "hot spots" for climate impacts on poor people. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

the crunch issues in talks on a global climate accord that's supposed to be adopted next month in Paris.

Those who say that rich countries aren't doing enough to help the poor said the report added emphasis to demands for billions of dollars in so-called climate finance to developing

countries.

"The statistics in the World Bank report are suitably shocking and I hope they force world leaders to sit up and take notice," said Mohamed Adow of Christian Aid.

Despite pledges to rein in emissions of carbon dioxide and other global warming

gases, climate change isn't likely to stop anytime soon. Carbon emissions are expected to rise for many years as China, India and other developing countries expand the use of fossil fuels to power their economies.

But efforts to protect the poor, such as generally improving access to health care and

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Mohamed Adow

social safety nets, and targeted measures to upgrade flood defences and deploy more heat-tolerant crops could prevent most of the negative consequences of climate change on poverty, the bank said.

The report referred to studies showing climate change could result in global crop yield losses as large as 5 per cent by 2030 and 30 per cent by 2080. It also referenced studies showing warming temperatures could increase the number of people at risk for malaria by 150 million.

Stephane Hallegatte, one of the authors, said the "hot spots" for climate impacts on poor people were sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia.

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IN BRIEF

AirBaltic first to operate Bombardier CS300

Latvian carrier airBaltic will be the first client to operate the CS300 aircraft when it takes delivery in the latter part of 2016, aircraft maker Bombardier announced Sunday.

The Latvian national airline has 13 firm orders for the CS300 and retains options for seven others, Bombardier said.

In a separate announcement, the Quebec-based company also said the flight test program for the CS100 aircraft was "close to 100 per cent complete"

It expects the aircraft to be certified with Transport Canada by the end of the year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

U.S. gas prices stop falling

The average price of gasoline rose a penny over the past two weeks, to \$2.25 US a gallon. Industry analyst Trilby Lundberg said the slight increase comes after prices previously fell 63 cents over 19 weeks. The end of the price decline comes as crude costs jumped a bit. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Migrant labourers take to streets as Dubai Airshow opens

Hundreds of migrant labourers staged a rare protest near the airport hosting the opening day of the biennial Dubai Airshow on Sunday to demand higher wages.

Associated Press journalists saw the workers gathering and shouting along a road leading to Al Maktoum International at Dubai World Central, the Gulf city's second airport.

Police arrived on the scene soon after the demonstration began and eventually dispersed the crowd.

Workers said they were protesting inadequate pay, though none agreed to give their names for fear of retribution.

In a statement, the Dubai government media office said representatives from the Permanent Committee of Labor Affairs intervened to resolve the dispute. Its investigation found that the workers' demands fell outside of their contractual terms.

"The workers were satisfied with the mediation and ended

their demonstration peacefully," the government statement said, adding that the men's employer was instructed "to clearly communicate contractual terms to the workers in order to prevent any future misunderstanding."

The employer for at least some of the workers, Bu Hallee Contracting, declined to comment.

The United Arab Emirates, of which Dubai is part, and other Gulf Arab nations have come under increasing scrutiny

from human rights and labour activists over their treatment of low-paid migrant workers.

Labour unions are not allowed and strikes are illegal, though protests over working conditions sometimes occur.

Several hundred construction workers blocked traffic with a protest in central Dubai in March. Weeks later, labourers set several vehicles on fire in the north of the country following the death of one of their co-workers.

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Migrant labourers protest on Sunday near the airport hosting the Dubai Airshow. KAMRAN JEBREIL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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No one can dispute the tradition of an individual publisher or owner calling the election shots for their local paper. But to dictate the choice across an entire chain — and nation — is an entirely different tale.



Never before in a federal election, in my memory, have newspaper endorsements become so controversial.

Topping the list unquestionably was Postmedia CEO Paul Godfrey's dramatic order to all 16 major Postmedia papers across Canada to support Stephen Harper.

Each paper was allowed to write its own editorial, but the conclusion was pre-ordained.

"Since God made babies, I think (endorsement editorials) were always made that way," longtime Conservative Godfrey explained later, reacting to the uproar. "If anyone thinks otherwise, I think they were dreaming in technicolor."

Really, Mr. Godfrey?

You might want to examine the policies of other newspaper chains that tell an entirely different bedtime story of the so-called "proprietor's prerogative."

No one can dispute the tradition of an individual publisher or owner calling the election shots for their local paper. Godfrey did that regularly when he was publisher of the Toronto Sun.

Even more worrisome is the negative impact this affair is having on the newspaper industry in general. At a time when the relevance and impact of newspapers are under attack, this doesn't help.

But to dictate the choice across an entire chain — and nation. That is an entirely different tale.

Consider the previous owners of Postmedia papers, the venerable Southam family.

essential informing part of the democratic process and their first responsibility must be to the local readers they serve.

The old Thomson chain in Canada, owned by the richest family in the land, had a

declared that editorial independence has always been the official policy of the Torstar newspaper group.

While the proprietors and publisher of the Toronto Star are involved in the Star's election endorsements, the Hamilton Spectator, Waterloo Record and all 125 of Torstar's community papers can decide for themselves.

So in the 2011 federal election, The Star supported Jack Layton's NDP, while virtually all other Torstar papers endorsed Stephen Harper. In 2015, all the dailies came out for the Liberals under Justin Trudeau.

These aren't dreams. They are black and white realities reflecting a long-held common tradition among North America's major newspaper groups.

Mr. Godfrey, soon to be installed in the Canadian News Hall of Fame for his contribution to Canadian journalism, clearly has a different perspective.

Yet, the firestorm of criticism on social media, the rumours of discontent in Postmedia newsrooms and even a damning story in Britain's Guardian newspaper all reflect a pervasive discontent.

Even more worrisome is the negative impact this affair is having on the newspaper industry in general. At a time when the relevance and impact of newspapers are under attack, this doesn't help.

Ultimately, though, it is readers who matter most. And surely those in Postmedia communities deserved far, far better.

John Honderich is a former publisher of the Toronto Star. He is chair of Torstar's board of directors.



Postmedia, which owns the Ottawa Citizen, the National Post and the Sun chain of papers, ordered its major publications to endorse the Conservative Party in last month's federal election. JUSTIN TANG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

It went to great lengths to emphasize individual publishers in each city were responsible for all editorial content, including election endorsements. "It was even in my letter of engagement," remembers veteran Southam publisher Clark Davey.

"It said what appeared in the (Vancouver) Sun rested on my conscience."

The reason, of course, was self-evident. What was important or relevant to readers in Vancouver might not be so in Montreal, Ottawa or Windsor.

Owning a newspaper, in my view, is a privilege, not a right. Nor is it the same as owning a pizzeria or car wash. Newspapers are an

similar practice of non-interference in local editorial issues.

South of the border a similar tradition has existed for decades. In the last presidential election, America was a patchwork quilt of competing newspaper endorsements.

The huge Gannett chain states that "Diversity is strength. By encouraging and expressing a mix of opinions, backgrounds, stories and ideas, Gannett improves results."

An executive for the large Knight-Ridder chain put it more pithily. "We bought them (newspapers). But we don't own them."

In the interests of transparency, it must also be

The premier waited far too long to fire Andrew Younger

HALIFAX MATTERS

Stephen Kimber



Premier Stephen McNeil was right to fire Andrew Younger. He was wrong to wait until Younger's escalating misbehavior left him no choice.

On Wednesday, Younger, the province's environment minister, abused his parliamentary privilege to avoid testifying at the trial of a woman accused of assaulting him on Oct. 22, 2013, the day the Liberals were sworn into office.

We don't know much about the specifics of the incident, because the crown dropped the charge when Younger refused to appear. We do know he and the woman — a former Liberal staffer named Tara Gault — had a four-year "personal relationship," even though Younger was married. Police described the incident as a "domestic assault."

It sounds like a messy human situation, and you can understand why Younger — who says his relationship with Gault is over, and he and his wife have "moved on with our lives" — would prefer not to rehash it in public.

But Younger crossed a fat red, firing-offence line when he invoked parliamentary privilege to make the matter go away.

According to the Canadian Parliamentary Review, parliamentary privilege is the end result of "centuries of struggle between King and Commons in England, cul-

minating in the Bill of Rights of 1689."

It is, as Stephen McNeil claims, an old law. But it is far from "obscure," as he says. Its purpose is to allow legislators to speak frankly in the legislature without fear of being sued or hauled into court for their work.

Privilege was never intended to protect a minister from personal embarrassment. Andrew Younger invoked it anyway.

But Wednesday afternoon, McNeil said Younger continued to have his confidence.

He said it again Thursday, after Younger defended himself in a 48-minute press conference designed more to obscure than clarify. "I did not receive a request to waive [privilege]. Had I received such a request, I would have had to consider it... I did not write the law. I followed it." And blah blah.

Twelve hours later — and only once Younger was caught in a misstatement about when he'd learned about his get-out-of-testifying privilege card — McNeil finally fired Younger from both cabinet and the Liberal caucus.

The end result was the right one. The lead-up to that decision says little good about either Younger or McNeil.

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ANALYSIS

Justin Trudeau's arts education is part of his political appeal

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Stephen Harper warned that Justin Trudeau — an English literature grad and former teacher — wasn't ready to be Prime Minister, but a Statistics Canada study released in April showed nearly a third of young humanities graduates are actually over-qualified for their jobs.

Overall, humanities grads earn less money and — according to a study by the Canadian Scholarship Trust Plan, or CST — less respect than their STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) contemporaries. In terms of both status and wealth, only fine arts majors bring in less.


Despite this, humanities subjects like English, history, philosophy and music remain a vibrant part of campus life, and the second-most popular majors at Canadian colleges and universities. (Business, management and public administration are most popular.) The humanities were once considered the cornerstone of education, and encouraging them is essential, says Martha Turner, VP of Marketing for the CST. Not only because they cre-

ate well-rounded graduates, but also because the future market demands a broad skill set.

"With a global economy emerging, you have to be able to work with teams all over the world," says Turner. "Empathy and teamwork are skills you could arguably learn in any discipline, but particularly in the humanities."

Justin Trudeau isn't your average humanities grad, and his climb to Canada's top post was fuelled as much by personal ambition, political connections, and — let's be real here — a fortuitous surname, as his appreciation for literature.

But now that he's scored the job, the skills he cultivated in his undergrad will be useful, says University of Toronto English Professor and novelist Rob-



When I hear Justin Trudeau talking about his prioritization of listening to other people, I can't help but think that reading literature will have fostered his abilities in that regard.
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"A lot of people talk about what they call his emotional intelligence, and when I hear that, I think about the skill of sympathetic imagination," says McGill. "That's the term liter-

ary critics use to talk about an ability to enter into the life of another person with rigour and compassion."

Researchers at The New School in New York City found that studying literary fiction im-

proves a reader's capacity to empathize with others. The study, published in the October 2013 issue of *Science*, asked people to read fiction, literary fiction, nonfiction and nothing, then take a test where they were asked to infer other people's emotions. When participants read fiction and literary fiction, they scored significantly better on the tests.

"Novels are rather unique in getting us to listen to and identify with the lives of others and when I hear Justin Trudeau talking about his prioritization of listening to other people, I can't help but think that reading literature will have fostered his abilities in that regard," says McGill.

"And I think that aspect of him is part of his political appeal," he adds.

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Inside the world's fastest bike



University of Toronto engineering grads and members of the Canadian firm Aerovelo designed a bike that broke the world speed record at an international competition. COURTESY AEROVELO

INNOVATION

The team's bike, Eta, hit a top speed of 139.45 km/h

It shot across a remote stretch of highway in Nevada like a white bullet. And it was only propelled by one man's legs.

Encased in a white carbon fibre shell, a speed bike designed by the Canadian engineering firm Aerovelo smashed the world record for the fastest human-powered vehicle at an international competition. Its top speed was 139.45 kilometres per hour.

They set the record on a high-altitude, enclosed 8-kilometre strip of road at the World Human Powered Speed Challenge in Battle Mountain, Nev. in mid-September.

Jun Nogami, an engineering professor at University of Toronto and the chief timekeeper at the event, was one of the few people

in the audience that morning. "Everybody was shocked except for Aerovelo because they are convinced they can go faster," he said.

"It was a strange feeling to be celebrating in the middle of the desert in Nevada and nobody else knowing what we're celebrating."

They beat the previous record, 133.78 km/h, by a little more than 4 km/h. They then eclipsed their own time twice

over the next two days.

The bike owes its speed to its sleek design and its rider, Todd Reichert, a 33 year-old U of T grad and co-founder of Aerovelo, who was once a national-level speed skater.

To reduce drag, the bike has a pair of front-facing cameras and screens for the driver.

"It feels a bit like a video game," Reichert said in an interview from California, where he is for work.

And like any game, it takes practice. "The first time going over 100 in our testing, I thought 'Holy crap, this feels fast!'"

"To me now, 100 km/h feels slow," he added, with a laugh.

The bike's oval-shaped shell makes it 100 times more aerodynamic than even the most streamlined cars, according to its builders.

The wheels are 26 inches, like those on Olympic racing bikes, but they are covered to reduce drag.

Not for nothing, Aerovelo named their bike "Eta" after the

Greek letter often used to symbolize efficiency in equations.

They began work on the bike in 2013, the same year they won a \$250,000 prize for designing a human-powered helicopter that can hover three metres for at least a minute.

Aerovelo grew out of a partnership between Reichert and fellow U of T grad Cameron Robertson while they were both members of the university's Human-Powered Vehicle Design Team.

Reichert already has his eyes on breaking their own record next year. Their next goal is 88 miles per hour (141.2 km/h) "because that's the speed of a human-powered time machine," he joked, referring to the velocity of Doc's DeLorean in *Back to the Future*.

"We're a bunch of nerds here, ok?" TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

+ FUTURE PLANS

Carrying the Aerovelo concepts forward

Some University of Toronto students from the HPVDT helped design and build the bike. They are crafting their own version of it to race in Nevada in 2016. Calvin Moes, the team's captain and a master's student in engineering, says building the world's fastest bike isn't just a matter of pride.

"Going forward, the technology and the concepts that we've developed with these (bikes) could be applied to all sorts of things to improve efficiency," he said.

"If car designers could take these concepts and apply them in a more limited sense we would right away see a huge improvement in mileage, and correspondingly a huge reduction in fuel consumption and greenhouse gases."

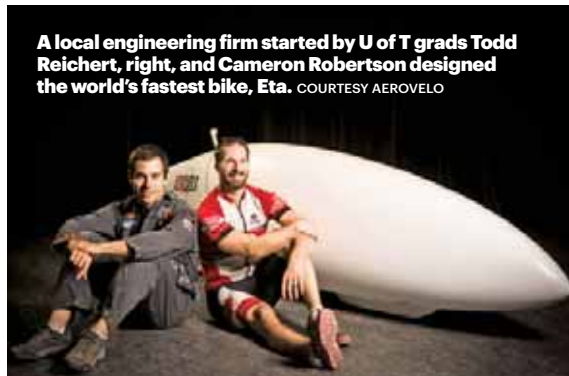
AERODYNAMIC
The bike's oval-shaped shell makes it 100 times more aerodynamic than even the most streamlined cars, according to its builders.



Holy crap, this feels fast.

Todd Reichert,
Aerovelo co-founder

A local engineering firm started by U of T grads Todd Reichert, right, and Cameron Robertson designed the world's fastest bike, Eta. COURTESY AEROVELO



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SPEND LESS TO BE MERRY

Don't be budget naughty or your new year won't be so nice

Gail Vaz-Oxlade
For Metro Canada



I was at dinner with friends last week when the topic turned to Christmas dinner. They always have me over and this year it's going to be on Dec. 27 because, with grown kids, carving out Christmas is less about the date and more about the time spent together. It takes a plan to work all the family dynamics into the holiday season.

Some people also find it challenging to get through their shopping without blowing their budgets or their minds. It's doesn't have to be hard. But you do have to exercise some discipline as you whip out your wallet and pay, pay, pay.

The easiest way to stay on track is to make a list. If your heart is bigger than your wallet, go over your list and decide who doesn't really need to be on there? Are there people to whom can you give a token gift to celebrate the season? Can you use Secret Santa so you don't have to buy for

your whole brood?

The very best gifts don't have to cost a penny. Offer up your time babysitting, cooking meals, house cleaning, massaging, sewing, knitting, transporting, or whatever else you're good at. Clip a picture of the service you'll provide and be clear on how often, as in "I'll babysit one weekend a month from February to June." Or better yet, make your own coupon book.

Retailers count on your oohs and ahhs while you're out shopping for your loves so make this rule: No self-gift while you're shopping. The one-for-you-one-for-me approach to holiday shopping is just an excuse to be self-indulgent. And it's a sure way to end up with a holiday hangover. If you see something you really like, put it on your own list for Santa.

Want to remove the temptation to over-shop? Shop with cash. So many people who whip out their plastic end up spending more than they planned and then get stuck paying the minimum payments. At 18 per cent interest, \$500 in holiday spending would take seven years to pay off and cost \$365

in interest. Ouch! As for opening up a new store credit cards to get that 10 per cent or 20 per cent off your purchase for the day, don't do it. Retailers must be making a packet on interest and late fees in order to offer those special deals. And if you're the sucker who ends up carrying a balance, you'll spend far more in interest than you saved on purchases. And, yes, opening and closing store cards can mess with your credit score.

Before tossing anything into your shopping cart ask yourself why you are buying it. Are you just fulfilling your duty to give a gift? Are you showing off? Are you trying to keep up? Or are you giving something you can afford and that your friend, sister, son or partner will truly enjoy receiving? Your mom, dad or BFF aren't going to be happier that you put yourself in financial stress rather than giving them something that might be slightly less and within your means, if they really love you. If they are judging you on your pressie, then they don't really love you and you shouldn't be buying them anything!

For more money advice, visit Gail's website at gailvaz-oxlade.com

MAKE THIS A RULE
No self-gift while you're shopping. If you see something you really like, put it on your own list for Santa.

WHAT I'M WATCHING VEEP: SEASON THREE, EPISODE NINE (HBO CANADA)

An instant comedy classic that should be taught in acting and writing classes

Johanna Schneller
For Metro Canada



The Washroom

U.S. Vice-President Selena Meyer (Julia Louis-Dreyfus) has just found out that all her manic, petty machinations have worked: The president is resigning and she's stepping into his job.

She and her faithful aide Gary (Tony Hale) duck into a women's washroom. Gary is so overcome that he gets a nosebleed. Her attempts to help him are typically inept, and the two wind up slumped against a wall, weeping with laughter.

Not only is this scene an instant comedy classic that should be taught in acting and writing classes until the end of time, it also made me realize why seasons two and three of *Veep* worked brilliantly, while season two of the Netflix series *House of Cards* did not, though it told a similar story (a U.S. congressman played by Kevin Spacey schemes to become



Veep succeeds where House of Cards has begun to falter by keeping the stakes low — even a bad haircut is a crisis. HANDOUT

president).

It's because *Veep* always keeps the stakes small.

Even after Selina takes over the Oval Office, her crises remain absurd. She gets a terrible haircut. She frets when Air Force One doesn't take off on time, or her running mate upstages her.

Veep keeps sharpening its sword, showing us how pathetic ambition looks, especially when no manipulation or slight is too small to be used or avenged later.

The ridiculousness of high-level double-dealing applied to things that don't matter made both series addictive at first.

But in *House of Cards*, the stakes got too high too fast. When the future of the free world hangs in the balance, all fun is leached away.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday

GOSSIP ANIMAL MAGNETISM

Fassbender's arousing tale

No one is immune to the charms of rakish, Irish actor Michael Fassbender, apparently, and that includes members of the ani-

mal kingdom.

While making his 2011 film *Jane Eyre*, Fassbender got pretty friendly with a horse name Prince.

"He used to get quite aroused whenever I got on

his back," Fassbender tells Graham Norton during an interview.

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AUS FOOTBALL

Saint Mary's ousts Marchese as coach

After two winless seasons for the first time in history, the head coach at the helm of the Saint Mary's Huskies football team has been fired.

Saint Mary's University announced Friday that Perry Marchese has officially been relieved of his duties.

Huskies football assistant coach Dean Jones was also let go from his position, a news release said.

The Halifax team have had a rough couple of years in Canadian Interuniversity Sport.

Saint Mary's went 0-8 for the first time ever last season, and repeated that disappointing record.



Perry Marchese

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“Coach Marchese has led our program through some challenging situations.”

Kevin Downie, St. Mary's athletic/recreation director

sult this season.

Marchese started his head coach role in 2012, while Jones took on the assistant coach position the following year. Both are former Huskies football players.

Marchese's future has been debated for some time among those in the football know, with his supporters arguing he has accomplished plenty, including cleaning up controversy off the field and pushing players to improve their academic performances.

The Huskies are also a young team, with most on the roster comprised of first- and second-year players.

KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE/METRO

IN BRIEF

Women's teams on roll

Both of Halifax's women's university hockey teams are on winning streaks.

The second-place Saint Mary's Huskies improved their hot streak to five straight Friday, with a 4-1 win over the fifth-place Mount Allison Mounties at Alumni Arena.

The Dalhousie Tigers moved into fourth after winning two straight, including 3-2 over the third-place St. Francis Xavier X-Women Saturday in Antigonish.

KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE/METRO

St. FX vs. Mounties in Loney

The match-up for the 2015 Loney Bowl is set.

The St. Francis Xavier X-Men secured their spot in the Atlantic University Sport conference final Saturday in semifinal action, by defeating the Acadia Axemen 26-4 in Antigonish.

They'll take on defending AUS champions the Mount Allison Mounties, who clinched first place in the

conference with a 24-18 win Oct. 31 over the X-Men.

KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE/METRO

Nova Scotia wins silver

Nova Scotian national women's team members Jillian Saulnier and Blayne Turnbull were forced to settle for the silver medal at the 2015 4 Nations Cup in Sundsvall, Sweden.

Canada fell 3-2 in overtime to the United States Sunday in the final game at the annual international women's hockey event.

KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE/METRO

No medals for Herd pair

Halifax Mooseheads rookies Arnaud Durandau and Walter Flower will be returning from the 2015 World Under-17 Challenge in Dawson Creek, B.C., without any hardware.

Forward Durandau had two goals and two assists in five games for Canada Black, which finished fourth in Group A standings.

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Forward Danny Moynihan celebrates his overtime game-winner at the Scotiabank Centre. DAVID CHAN/HALIFAX MOOSEHEADS

Tough Mooseheads prevail in overtime

JUNIOR HOCKEY

Stage set by goalie Resop's huge save in extra frame



Kristen Lipscombe
Metro | Halifax

Danny Moynihan did it again Saturday night at the Scotiabank Centre.

The third-year forward came through for the Herd with another standout performance, scoring in overtime for a much-needed 5-4 win over the Baie-Comeau Drakkar, in front of 6,706 ecstatic fans in Halifax's home downtown arena.

Captain Timo Meier assisted, one of four points the star import forward contributed to the game that could have gone either way, but ultimately belonged to the stronger, speedier Mooseheads.

"I ended up getting the puck

from Timo ... and there was a breakaway," Moynihan said of how that final play came together.

"I kind of fanned on the puck, but Timo ended up getting it right back to me and I buried it," he recalled.

Halifax took an early lead, with Meier and Taylor Ford both scoring within about 15 seconds of one another early in the first period.

Vaclav Karabacek, who had a point on all four Drakkar goals, was able to answer back seconds later himself, but the Mooseheads took the 2-1 lead into the first intermission, for a competitive start to a game between two of the bottom teams in QMJHL standings.

Both teams came out strong again in the second, with the Mooseheads and Drakkar twice trading goals, three of which were on the power play.

Maxime Fortier and Moynihan scored for the Mooseheads, while Mathieu Desautels and Nicolas Leblanc added singles for the Drakkar, putting Halifax up 4-3 after 40 minutes.

SATURDAY in Halifax (OT)



The Moose struggled for a short time in the third, and for a while it looked like a late-game comeback from the visitors may again become the home team's demise, as was the case in Friday night's 5-1 loss to the Chicoutimi Saguenéens.

But after the tying goal from Baie-Comeau's Matt Jones, the Mooseheads seemed to rediscover their focus.

"I thought that was one of our best three periods (of the season)," Moynihan said.

"Even though they tied it up, we came back and pushed. We were really happy with that outcome."

Fortier also had a strong offensive game, with a goal and two assists, while blueliner Taylor Ford was strong up front and in the Herd zone, making

a beautiful stick save behind goaltender Kevin Resop during overtime.

"It was a huge save," Moynihan said of the pretty play.

Resop made 25 saves, while Baie-Comeau goaltender Kevin Bouchard stopped 35 shots.

Halifax pulled off the win despite forward Otto Somppi going down on a charging call and skating off with an injured shoulder that left him unable to return to the ice, as well as some unnecessary penalties late in the game.

"It was pretty much a one goal-game, almost — every single period," Moynihan said. "It was a big character win."

+ MOVING UP

The win bumps the Halifax Mooseheads back up slightly in the standings, putting them at 15th overall in the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League and fifth in the Maritimes Division.

Gritty Riders rally to stun Montreal

CFL

Saskatchewan spoils starting debut of Als' Canadian QB

Brett Smith came off the bench in the fourth quarter to lead the Saskatchewan Roughriders to a 30-24 overtime victory over the Montreal Alouettes in the CFL regular season finale on Sunday afternoon. The Roughriders trailed 24-6 early in the fourth quarter when Smith came in and threw touchdown strikes to Ryan Smith and Weston Dressler, as well as a two-point convert.

A botched Montreal play saw John Chick recover a fumble and Smith led a drive that ended with Tyler Crapigna tying the game 24-24 with a 39-yard field goal with eight seconds left on the clock. Smith hit Dressler with a TD pass in overtime, while Montreal failed to score.

The result spoiled an impressive day for Montreal's Canadian quarterback Brandon Bridge, who threw TD passes to Tyrell Sutton and B.J. Cunningham. Anthony Boone also ran in a score while Boris Bede had a field goal.

Bridge was the first Canadian to start a CFL game since Giulio Caravatta for British Columbia in 1996. The Mississauga, Ont., product fell short of becoming the first Canadian to start and win a game since Calgary's Greg Vavra in 1985.

The Alouettes (6-12) and the Roughriders (3-15) did not make the playoffs and used many back-



Alouettes' Billy Parker, bottom, up-ends Roughriders' Seydou Junior Haidara during first half on Sunday. GRAHAM HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

SUNDAY in Montreal

30 **24**
RIDERS ALOUETTES

ups and young players. Both team's had quarterbacks making a first CFL start, and each had a drive into scoring position nullified by a fumble.

Bridge took Montreal to the Saskatchewan one-yard line on the first possession of the game. Backup Anthony Boone ran in the TD. Riders starter Keith Price answered with a 32-yard strike to Ryan Smith

on the final play of the first quarter. Both QBs struggled in the second quarter until Bridge hit Cody Hoffman with a 42-yard toss to set up a dump pass that Sutton ran in from the 10 with 35 seconds left in the half. It was Bridge's first career TD pass.

Montreal's first possession of the second led to a Bede field goal. Bridge's play of the game came 20 seconds into the fourth quarter, when he scrambled away from the rush and hit Cunningham in the end zone with a 48-yard pass.

Brett Smith came on and shredded the Montreal defence on consecutive drives, firing a

+ RESULTS

Friday

Argonauts 21, Bombers 11

Saturday

Redblacks 44, Ticats 28

Stampeders 28, Lions 7

40-yard score to Ryan Smith, picking up the two-point convert, and finding Dressler with a nine-yard scoring toss.

Montreal rush end John Bowman had two sacks, including his team record 100th in his career, and a league-leading 18 in 16 games this season.

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NFL

Watkins shines as Bills ease past Dolphins

Receiver Sammy Watkins shook off a nagging ankle injury — and his critics.

Watkins had a career-best performance in leading the Buffalo Bills to a 33-17 win over the Miami Dolphins on Sunday. He made eight catches for 168 yards and a 44-yard touchdown that broke open the game late in the third quarter. Rookie running back Karlos Williams scored twice and LeSean McCoy also scored on a 48-yard run.

Buffalo (4-4), coming out of its bye week, snapped a two-game skid and won for the first time in four home games.

The Dolphins (3-5) continued to regress. Coming off a 36-7 loss to New England, Miami has lost two straight since winning

SUNDAY in New York

33 **17**
BILLS DOLPHINS

its first two games when interim coach Dan Campbell took over after Joe Philbin was fired.

The Dolphins also are 0-4 against AFC East rivals. Lamar Miller scored twice on 1-yard runs and finished with 44 yards.

The Ryan Tannehill-led passing attack was sloppy. The troubles began on

Miami's first play from scrimmage when Tannehill — lined up in the shotgun at his goal line — had Mike Pouncey's snap go through his hands and through the end zone for a safety. Tannehill finished 27 of 36 for 309 yards with two lost fumbles. For Buffalo,

Tyrod Taylor was 11 of 12 for 181 yards in his first game back after missing two with a sprained left knee.

McCoy had 112 yards rushing before leaving the game in the fourth



Bills' LeSean McCoy celebrates a TD. GETTY IMAGES

+ RESULTS

Titans 34, Saints 28
Vikings 21, Rams 18
Panthers 37, Packers 29
Patriots 27, Redskins 10
Bills 33, Dolphins 17
Jets 28, Jaguars 23
Steelers 38, Raiders 35

quarter with an injury to his right shoulder.

Williams, who had 110 yards rushing, returned after missing three games with a concussion. He became just the NFL's fifth player to score a touchdown in each of his first five games.

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WHALEN, Kenneth Victor



Age 65, Fall River, passed away peacefully surrounded by family at his home on November 5th 2015. Born in Toronto, Ken joined the Navy where he worked as a marine engineer and met his wife Susan. Together they raised their family in Lower Sackville where they made many life long friends and memories. In his later years Ken and Sue moved to Fall River, where Ken enjoyed the outdoors, sitting by the bonfire and making woodland trails. Ken was an avid car enthusiast, everything from drag and stock car racing, to car clubs. He will be remembered for his love of music, music was in his soul, from jamming in the basement to performing in clubs and legions in his earlier years. Predeceased by his parents Donald and Sonia (Keyko) Whalen of Toronto. He was a devoted husband, a proud father, loving grandfather, brother and uncle. Surviving are his wife of 45 years, Susan (Currie); daughter, Kendra (Stephen) Oliver, Lower Sackville and their children, Victoria, Stephen and Elizabeth, son Dustin (Sheila), Fall River, and children, Denver and Charlie; brother Gary (Brenda), Barry's Bay ON; Doug (Shirley), Port Perry ON; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. "A Celebration of his Life" will take place 2 pm Thursday November 12, 2015 at Atlantic Funeral Home 771 Main St, Dartmouth. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. Special thanks to everyone who supported, assisted and cared for Ken over the last 20 months.

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NHL CANUCKS AIMING TO SNAP 2-GAME SKID AT DEVILS
Vancouver winger Alexandre Burrows, right, and Devils defenseman Andy Greene collide on the boards Sunday. For the result of this game go to metronews.ca. MEL EVANS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Palace gives Klopp first loss

BPL ROUNDUP

Under new manager, Villa earn draw vs. league leaders

Turning Liverpool into title challengers will be no easy task for Juergen Klopp. As Premier League pacesetters Manchester City and Arsenal both drew on Sunday, Liverpool experienced its first loss under Klopp by visiting Crystal Palace. Going into the international break, the 2-1 Anfield setback left Liverpool with five points from a possible 12 in the post-Brendan

Rodgers era — and the only victory came against a Chelsea side which has lost the majority of games in its title defence.

Yannick Bolasie and Scott Dann scored either side of Philippe Coutinho's equalizer to give Palace a third successive league win against Liverpool. As Palace rose to 8th, Liverpool dropped to 10th place, nine points from the summit. Manchester City stayed top but could not find the net against bottom-place Aston Villa as Remi Garde's managerial reign in Birmingham opened with a 0-0 draw.

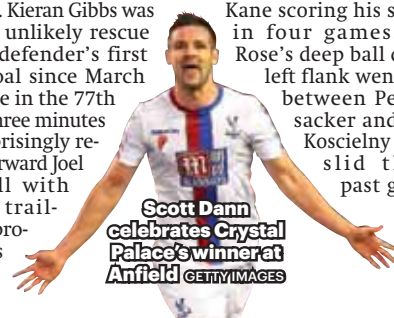
After Raheem Sterling, Kevin De Bruyne and Fernando squandered chances for City, manager Manuel Pellegrini

cannot wait for striker Sergio Aguero to return from a hamstring injury that has kept him out of the last seven games.

Arsenal and Tottenham also had to settle for a point apiece in a 1-1 draw in the north London derby. Kieran Gibbs was Arsenal's unlikely rescue act. The defender's first league goal since March 2012 came in the 77th minute, three minutes after surprisingly replacing forward Joel Campbell with Arsenal trailing. The provider was less of a surprise,

with Mesut Ozil's high ball to Gibbs at the back post his 10th assist in 11 league games.

Arsenal's defence had been too easily penetrated in the 32nd minute for Tottenham's opener by a resurgent Harry Kane scoring his sixth goal in four games. Danny Rose's deep ball down the left flank went straight between Per Mertesacker and Laurent Koscielny and Kane slid the ball past goalkeeper Petr Cech.



Scott Dann celebrates Crystal Palace's winner at Anfield GETTY IMAGES

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada



- 1 cup grated cheddar
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan
- Salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. Sauté onion and garlic in a dutch oven or other large, heavy-bottomed pot for about 5 minutes until soft.
2. Add vegetables and stock and allow to simmer for about 20 minutes until the vegetables are tender.
3. In small batches, ladle the broth and vegetables into your blender and puree. Pour each batch into a bowl as you go. Pour the puree back into your pot.
4. Over medium heat add milk and cheese and stir until the cheese melts. Add salt and pepper to taste. Serve with crusty bread.

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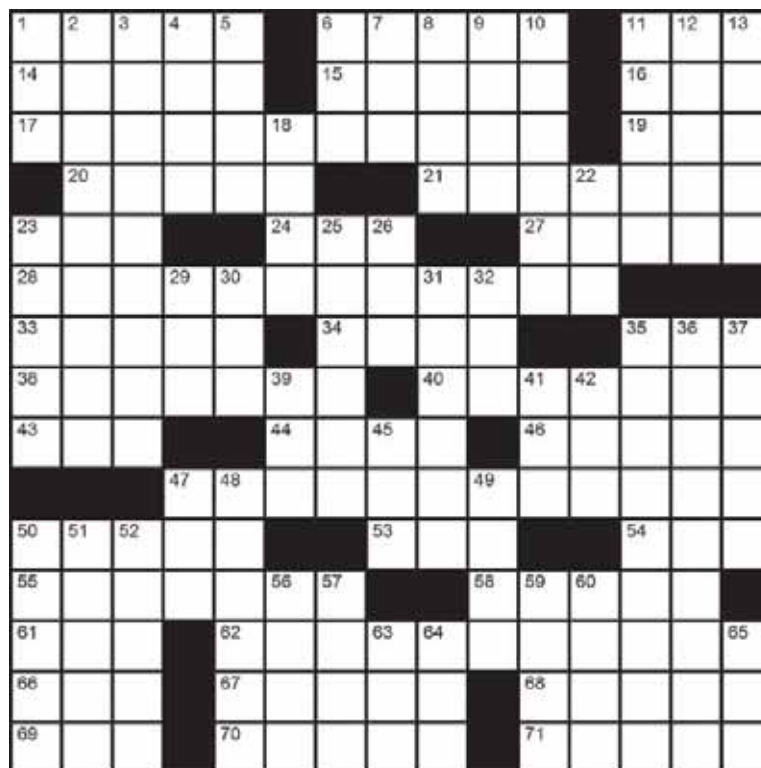
- 4 cups broccoli florets and stem (just cut off the toughest bit at the end) chopped fairly
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 2 cups chopped, peeled potato
- 2 cloves garlic minced
- 1 plug olive oil
- 4 cups low sodium vegetable or chicken stock
- 1 1/2 cups milk

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ACROSS

1. Lyricist, __ Hammerstein II
6. Roman hearth goddess
11. Neutral tone
14. Donald Trump's second wife Ms. Maples
15. Canadian retail family
16. Gingery quip
17. Restaurant buffet covering
19. Hawaiian dish
20. "How I Met Your Mother" narrator Bob
21. Honking
23. Approx.
24. Grand __ (Wine classification)
27. Bellow from a fellow on the seas!
28. Andrew __ (Host of #62-Across who is from St. John's, Newfoundland)
33. Filles __ (French for 'King's Daughters' as per the young women King Louis XIV sponsored to settle in New France)
34. __ a soul
35. __ culpa!
38. History Channel's " __ Truckers"
40. Winning: 3 wds.
43. ' __ for Excellence
44. Duck variety
46. Grease again
47. Igloo construction materials: 3 wds.
50. Plentiful purchasing period
53. Cartoon-style shriek!
54. Shortened path



55. "Love in the Time of __" (2007) starring Javier Bardem
58. "Murphy Brown" house painter
61. Mr. Orbison
62. Discovery Channel series, "Canada's __"
66. Time-saver's abbr.

67. Flying-over-Quebec plane
68. "Look at all the __ picked!" (Exclamation heard in an orchard)
69. Heartache
70. Bread ingredient
71. Norwegian ...in Norwegian

DOWN

1. Meditation syllables
2. French for 'without worry': 2 wds.
3. Planet inhabitants
4. Shake __ (Hurry)
5. Bulldoze
6. Eggplant, e.g.
7. H2O: French

8. Pierce
9. Split
10. Of a South American mountain chain
11. Fleishy-snouted animal
12. Beside
13. Barnyard noise
18. Engrave
22. Phone's 'pen' pal
23. Singer Ms. Gorme
25. "It's Like That" rappers
26. Can. neighbour
29. And not
30. Acqua Di __ (Armani fragrance)
31. Check out the merchandise
32. Ms. Rand
35. "Breakfast at Tiffany's" (1961) song: 2 wds.
36. Robert Stack's character on 1959 to 1963 crime series "The Untouchables": 2 wds.
37. " __ are saying is give peace a chance." - John Lennon
39. Volcano in Japan, Mount __
41. Hound's howdy!
42. Home [abbr.]
45. __ Crater, in Maui in Hawaii
47. "The Fresh Prince of __ Air"
48. Allowance
49. Sanctioned, cute-style
50. Twisted-in fastener
51. Camera's creation
52. Rolls- __ Motor Cars
56. Drift
57. Soprano's time to shine
59. Scientology founder, __ Hubbard
60. "The Flintstones" pet
63. HELP!
64. Tunnel creation need
65. Canadian rocker Mr. Emmett

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
Don't get uptight if someone you deal with refuses to see sense today. You may have more than enough evidence to convince them that they are wrong but some people can be ridiculously stubborn. Let it go.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
If someone offers to help you out, think carefully before taking them up on the offer. There will be strings attached and you could end up paying more than expected.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Limit the number of things you work on as the new week begins. You may be eager to make an impression but don't let your enthusiasm get the better of you. There's no rush.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Try not to dwell on your mistakes. What happens over the next few days, especially when the moon is new on Wednesday, will help you make a success of your endeavors.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Chances are you will refuse to see any point of view but your own today and that could put a friendship at risk. Try to understand that what is right for you may not be right for someone else.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Adjust your aims and ambitions as events over which you have no control throw you off course. It might be annoying in the short-term but in the long-term it will be good for you.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You seem to be finding it harder than usual to believe in yourself. Reconsider plans that you made to travel or socialize because you really need to spend some time by yourself now.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Something you thought you could cope with will get completely out of control. Get help from people who know what they are doing. Clearly, you do not!

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
One-to-one relationships are about to go through a rather delicate phase but the good news is it won't last for long and nothing bad will come of it. The approaching new moon means you need to feel more and think less.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You will find yourself under a lot of pressure as the new week begins. You are going to have to stand up for yourself and let people know that you will not be taken advantage of.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Something of a creative nature that you have been working on will hit a wall today or tomorrow and you may be tempted to give up on it. That would be a big mistake.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
You may not be the life and soul of the party at the moment but give it time. The approaching new moon is already making you feel more adventurous and come Wednesday you will be your happy, upbeat self again.

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